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Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal Address to: MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Application Number	09/870,716-Conf. #8909
	Filing Date	May 29, 2001
	First Named Inventor	Hiroshi Urabe
	Art Unit	1711
	Examiner Name	U. K. Rajguru
	Attorney Docket Number	55968(71360)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

ii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☐ Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, any underpayment of fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 04-1105. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed

c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED			
Signature		Date	August 22, 2005
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Hiroshi Urabe, *et al.*

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For: FLAME RETARDANT RESIN COMPOSITION

Examiner: N. Nutter

RESPONSE (FILED WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION)

MS RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

REMARKS

In response to the Final Office Action (the "Action"), dated November 22, 2004, and the Advisory Action mailed April 26, 2005 in the above-identified patent application, Applicants request reconsideration in view of the following remarks.

A Notice of Appeal was filed on May 18, 2005. In lieu of an appeal brief, Applicants file herewith a Request for Continued Examination, together with a petition for extension of time.

Status of the Claims:

Claims 1-16 are pending. Based on the Examiner's statements in the Advisory Action mailed on April 26, 2005, the amendment filed on March 24, 2005 has been entered. Therefore, claims 1-16 stand as amended in the response filed on March 24, 2005.